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1. THERE FOLLOWS THE TEXT OF A LETTER JUST RECEIVED FROM
J.C. SHAH, CHAIRMAN OF THE ATOMIC POWER AUTHORITY. PAREN-
THETICAL REFERENCES HAVE BEEN INSERTED BY CONGEN TO
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BEGIN TEXT

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ATOMIC POWER AUTHORITY

AUGUST 29, 1977

DEAR MR. COURTNEY,

KINDLY REFER TO YOUR LETTER OF AUGUST 18, 1977 (DEPTTEL
195445, AUG. 18).

WHILE WE WILL RESPOND MORE GENERALLY TO THE COMMENTS OF
WASHINGTON AGENCIES CONVEYED IN YOUR LETTER, I WOULD LIKE
TO FOCUS ON THE REVISIONS OF DRAFTS OF CLAUSES 1 AND 9
PROPOSED BY WASHINGTON. OF THE TWO OPTIONS OFFERED FOR
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REVISED CLAUSE 1, WE WOULD PREFER TO FOLLOW THAT ANNEXED
TO MR. ROSENTHAL'S LETTER OF JULY 21ST (DEPTTEL 168761)
WITH THESE THREE CHANGES:

(A) TASK 4 OF PHASE 1 SHOULD AIM AT DETERMINING NOT MERELY
THE NEED FOR ALTERNATIVE DISPOSITION OF HARDWARE CURRENTLY
STORED, THIS BEING PERFECTLY APPARENT EVEN NOW, BUT THE

METHOD OF SUCH DISPOSITION. CONSEQUENTLY, THE WORD 'NEED' SHOULD BE SUBSTITUTED BY 'METHOD' IN THE DEFINITION OF THIS TASK.

(B) IN TASK 5 OF PHASE 1, TO ENSURE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE EFFORT, WE WOULD LIKE TO ADD TO "ASSESSMENT OF THE FEASIBILITY OF EXPANDING THE SPENT FUEL STORAGE" THE WORDS "WITH PROPER CONSIDERATION OF FACTORS SUCH AS STRUCTURAL ADEQUACY AND NUCLEAR SAFETY OF THE EXPANDED FUEL POOL".

(C) IN THE SECOND SENTENCE OF PHASE 2, TASKS TO ACCOMPLISH THE PHASE SHOULD BE RENDERED DEFINITIVE BY SUBSTITUTING THE WORD "MAY" BY "SHALL" SO THAT THIS SENTENCE WILL BEGIN WITH "TASKS TO ACCOMPLISH THIS OBJECTIVE SHALL INCLUDE SUCH WORK AS....." INASMUCH AS WE ARE NOT PROPOSING ANY EXTENSION OF THE SCOPE OF WORK AND ARE WILLING TO ACCEPT THE OMISSION OF THE EARLIER CLAUSE 4 (A), WE BELIEVE THAT THESE MINOR MODIFICATIONS PCAPOSED BY US WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE. INCIDENTALLY, WE RESERVE OUR COMMENTS ON THE PREAMBULAR PORTION IN THE WASHINGTON COMMUNICATION WHICH LED TO THEIR PROPOSAL ON CLAUSE 1.

WITH RESPECT TO CLAUSE 9, THE REVISION BY GE TO EXPRESS THEIR POINT MORE NARROWLY AND CONCISELY TO THE ADDITION TO THIS CLAUSE IS ACCEPTABLE TO US. HOWEVER, IT SHOULD APPEAR PRIOR TO THE PROVISIO TO THIS CLAUSE THAT IS AFTER UNCLASSIFIED

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THE FIRST SENTENCE ENDING WITH ".....UNDER THIS AGREE-MENT".

NOW THAT THE MATTER HAS BEEN ESSENTIALLY RESOLVED, WE WILL APPRECIATE IF OUR PROPOSAL TO USE THE WORD "FOR" INSTEAD OF "OF" IN CLAUSE 8E IS ACCEPTABLE. YOU WILL RECALL THAT IN THE WASHINGTON COMMUNICATION FORWARDED BY MR. ROSENTHAL ON JULY 9, 1977 (DEPTEL 159021, JULY 9) REFERENCE HAD BEEN MADE TO THE U.S. DESIRE TO PROVIDE NEAR-TERM AND LONGER RANGE BASES FOR MEETING THE PROBLEM. IT IS THEREFORE FITTING IF WE WERE TO USE THE KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE GAINED THROUGH THIS EFFORT FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING THE SPENT FUEL STORAGE CAPACITY REQUIRED BY TARAPUR OPERATIONS, PARTICULARLY SINCE THE NEED FOR SUCH AN EXTENSION IS LIKELY TO BE A DIRECT CONSEQUENCE OF THE U.S. POLICY.

YOURS SINCERELY,

S/D. J.C. SHAH

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